GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4660
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2000
BAL BHAWAN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Bal Bhawans functioning in each State/Union Territory;

(b) the main functions of these Bal Bhawan;

(c) the Central assistance provided to each State for the purpose during each of the last three years; and

(d) the extent to which these are helpful to the students?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) The number of Bal Bhawan, affiliated with National Bal Bhawan, functioning in States/Union Territories is given in the Statement enclosed as Annexure-I.

(a) Main function of these Bal Bhawans is to enhance creativity amongst children especially from the weaker sections of the society.

(b) The Ministry does not have any scheme for providing central assistance to the States for Bal Bhawans.The National Bal Bhawan occasionally releases grants to the Bal Bhawans in the States/Union territories affiliated with it. During the year 1997-90 and the year 1999-2000 no grants were released for this purpose. Details of the grants released during the year 1998-99 are given in the statement enclosed as Annexure-II.

(c) The non formal approach of the Bal Bhawans helps the children to understand a variety of subjects in a free environment which is necessary for their overall growth.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4660 FOR 25.04.2000

S.NO.	NAME OF STATE/UT	NO.OF BAL BHAWANS
1	Andhra Pradesh	6
2	Assam	1
3	West Bengal	2
4	Gujarat	5
5	Goa	1
6	Haryana	10
7	Jammu & Kashmir	1
8	Kerala	7
9	Karnataka	5
10	Madhya Pradesh	3
11	Maharashtra	5
12	Manipur	1
13	Orissa	3
14	Punjab	2
15	Tamil Nadu	4
16	Uttar Pradesh	7
17	N. C. T. of Delhi 1	
18	Chandigarh	1
19	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
20	Daman	1
21	Diu	1
22	Pondicherry	1

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GRANT RELEASED DURING THE YEAR 1998-99

S.No.	Name of Bal Bhawan	Purpose	Amount(Rs)
1	Bal Bhawan, Gwalior	Children Library	70,000
2	Kusumbahen Adani Bal Bhawan, Akshaygarh (MP	Construction of activity center	5,00,000
3	Jawahar Bal Bhawan Alappuzha (Kerala)	Mini Auditerium and purchase of equipment and Library Books	5,00,000
4	Bal Bhawan, Diu	Construction of multipurpose hall for activities	4,00,000
5	Jawahar Bal Bhawan, Hyderabad (AP)	Renovstion of aquarium and purpose of computers	2,50,000
6	Jawahar Bal Bhawan, Pondicherry	Computers	2,50,000
7	Jawahar bal Bhawan, Mumbai	Science hobby center	1,30,000
8	Jawahar Bal Bhawan, Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund, Allahabad (UP)	Computers	2,50,000
9	Jawahar Bal Bhawan Cubbon Park, Bangalore (Karnataka)	Library equipments and Books	5,00,000
10	Bal Bhawan Panaji, Goa	Computer Section	2,50,000
11	Bal Bhawan, Bhiwani (Haryana)	Setting of Music and eraft center	1,00,000
12	Shri Girdharbhai Sangrahalaya and Children's Museum Amersli (Gujarat)	Hall for Music and Dance Classes	2,50,000